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SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Supplemental to the amendment of July 16, 2004, Applicants request reconsideration of the application in view of the remarks presented herein.

The claims in the application are claims 57 and 58, all other claims having been cancelled.

With respect to the Examiner's question whether muds or algae containing other amino acids, the Examiner's attention is directed to the French Patent No. 2 590 270 and Swiss Patent No. 500 711 both of which were cited in the international search report and the French search report and this shows that the amino acids are present in muds and algae.

In view of the remarks of record, it is believed that the application is now in condition for allowance and favorable reconsideration of the application is requested.

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